



## Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.

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August 7, 2017

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Re:	Our Claim Number	003000-310370-WC-01
	Our Client	Waste Management Inc
	Insured By	Ace American Insurance Company
	Date of Injury	6/25/2014
	Claimant	Leon, Victoria

### **NOTICE REGARDING DENIAL OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT**

**Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.** is handling your workers' compensation claim on behalf of **Waste Management Inc.** This notice is to advise you of the status of disability benefits for your workers' compensation injury on the date shown above.

After careful consideration of all available evidence, we are denying this claim because the application of adjudication filed on 07- 28-2017 for the specific injury date of 7-7-2016 to the back and legs is considered an amendment to the original application of adjudication dated 07- 28-2017 notating the date of injury 06-25-2014 to the back and legs. There is no second claim. The original specific date of injury 06-25-2014 to the back and legs remains accepted as industrial.

For claims reported on or after April 19, 2004, regardless of the date of injury, if you submitted a claim form to your employer or claims administrator, Labor Code section 5402(c) provides that within one working day after you file the claim form, the employer shall authorize the provision of all treatment, consistent with the applicable treating guidelines, for the alleged injury and shall continue to provide such medical treatment until the claims administrator accepts or denies liability for the claim. Until the date the claim is accepted or rejected, liability for medical treatment under this Labor Code section shall be limited to a maximum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

Unless you have done so already, you should immediately send for consideration of payment, all bills for medical services provided between the date the completed claim form was given to the employer and the date that liability for the claim is rejected.

Additional information may be found in the publication **Workers' Compensation in California: A Guidebook for Injured Workers**. A complete copy of the Guidebook may be obtained at the website of the Division of Workers' Compensation (see *URL* below) or by contacting an Information and Assistance (I&A) Officer of the Division of Workers' Compensation. Chapters 2, 4 and 9 of the Guidebook contain information addressing the determination of liability for a workers' compensation claim and the QME process.

#### **Guidebook for Injured Workers:**

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/InjuredWorkerGuidebook/InjuredWorkerGuidebook.html>

#### **Chapter 2: After You Get Hurt on the Job**

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/InjuredWorkerGuidebook/Chapter2.pdf>

#### **Chapter 4: Resolving Problems with Medical Care and Medical Reports:**

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/InjuredWorkerGuidebook/Chapter4.pdf>

#### **Chapter 9: For More Information and Help**

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/InjuredWorkerGuidebook/Chapter9.pdf>

**The State of California requires that you be given the following information:**

You have a right to disagree with decisions affecting your claim. If you have any questions about the information provided to you in this notice, please call, **Roberta Bennett at 916-403-1525**. You also have the right to be represented by an attorney of your choice. However, if you are represented by an attorney, you should call your attorney, not **Roberta Bennett at 916-403-1525**.

For information about the workers' compensation claims process and your rights and obligations, go to [www.dir.ca.gov](http://www.dir.ca.gov) or contact an Information and Assistance (I&A) Officer of the State Division of Workers' Compensation. For recorded information and a list of offices, call (800)736-7401.

**Keep this notice. It contains important information about your workers' compensation benefits.**

Sincerely,



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Sr. Resolution Manager



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